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## Ocean Decade Contribution Endorsement Application

Information - Please read it entirely before proceeding with your application

**This form should only be used to request for endorsement of a Decade Contribution. Submissions are accepted on a rolling basis.**

Please read the [Ocean Decade Implementation Plan](#) and [Summary](#) for further information.

For requests for endorsement for other Decade Actions, please visit [this webpage](#).

Important Information:

Please note that all character limits include spaces.

Please find the PDF and Word versions of the form [here](#). Please note that these are for your use only, e.g. to help prepare your submission. Only submissions sent via the online form will be accepted.

If you need a copy of your responses please email us at [oceandecade@unesco.org](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org) with the exact full name and contact name of your submission. Please be aware that it may take some time to provide you with the download.

For any questions please contact [oceandecade@unesco.org](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org) with "Contribution Submission" in the subject line.



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Proponent and Partner Details

**\* 1. Lead Institution Name**

The lead institution is the one responsible for the contribution and where the lead contact is affiliated to.

**\* 2. Lead Institution Type**

**\* 3. Lead Institution Physical Address**

Street Address

Town/City

Postal/Zip Code

**\* 4. Lead Institution Country**

**\* 5. Is your institution based in a Least Developed Country, Small Island Developing State, or Africa**

Please find a list of SIDS here: <https://www.un.org/ohrlls/content/list-sids>

Please find a list of LDCs here: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/dpad/least-developed-country-category/lDCs-at-a-glance.html>

Yes

No

**\* 6. Lead Institution Website**

**\* 7. Lead Institution Primary Contact**

*This is the person responsible for the proposal and who will be directly contacted in future communications throughout the review process, and will be expected to sign the letter of endorsement should your application be successful.*

First Name

Last Name

**\* 8. Lead institution primary contact gender**

Male

Female

Prefer not to say

**\* 9. Lead Institutional Contact Email Address**

**\* 10. Email contact of person completing survey**

*This person might not be the same as the lead institutional contact, but will be someone we will include in future communications throughout the review process.*

**\* 11. Partner Institution Names**

Please provide the names of up to five partner lead institutions. Other partner details can be provided in the supplementary information section.

Partner No. 1  
Institution name

Partner No. 2  
Institution name

Partner No. 3  
Institution name

Partner No. 4  
Institution name

Partner No. 5  
Institution name

**\* 12. Partner focal points' contact details**

Please provide the full name of the focal point person in the partner institution and their email address.

Partner No.1 Focal  
point contact details

Partner No.2 Focal  
point contact details

Partner No.3 Focal  
point contact details

Partner No.4 Focal  
point contact details

Partner No.5 Focal  
point contact details

**\* 13. Partner Institution Countries**

Partner Institution Country

Partner No. 1	<input type="text"/>
Partner No. 2	<input type="text"/>
Partner No. 3	<input type="text"/>
Partner No. 4	<input type="text"/>
Partner No. 5	<input type="text"/>



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### \* 14. Name of Decade Contribution

The public facing name used to refer to your contribution. Your Action name must be fewer than 50 characters.

### 15. Short name or acronym of Decade Contribution



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Call for Decade Actions No. 08/2024

\* 16. If your proposal is in response to the Call for Decade Action No. 08/2024, please select the focus area.

If your proposal is not in response to the Call, please select the last option.

- Priority needs of the endorsed Decade Programmes participating in this Call
- Priority needs for Decade Implementing Partners to support a Community of Practice for Challenge 3 - Sustainable Blue Foods
- Capacity development initiatives to contribute to specific needs to the Ocean Decade Capacity Development Facility
- My proposal is not in response to the Call for Decade Actions No. 08/2024



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Call for Decade

\* 17. Your proposal is a direct contribution to which Decade programme(s)?

NOTE: Make sure to read Annex II of the [Guidance Note](#) to understand the need of the participating programme before proceeding with your application.

- 9. Ocean Global Corps and Conveyor
- 15. Early Career Ocean Professional (ECOPs)
- 16. Ocean Voices
- 17. Marine Life 2030
- 26. Ocean Biomolecular Observing Network (OBON)
- 63. Fisheries Strategies for Changing Oceans and Resilient Ecosystems (FishSCORE 2030)
- 69. Cultural Heritage Framework Programme
- 76. Global Ocean Oxygen Decade (GOOD)
- 77. One Ocean Network for Deep Observation
- 90. Sustainability of Marine Ecosystems through global knowledge networks (SmartNET)
- 118. SUSTainability, Predictability and RESilience of Marine Ecosystems (SUPREME)
- 129. Deep Ocean Observing Strategy (DOOS)
- 137. Digital Twins of the Ocean (DITTO)
- 144. CoastPredict - Observing and Predicting the Global Coastal Ocean
- 172. Global Ecosystem for Ocean Solutions (GEOS)
- 189. Joint Exploration of the Twilight Zone Ocean Network (JETZON)
- 219. Ocean Acidification Research for Sustainability (OARS)
- 8.2. Global Ocean Negative Carbon Emission (Global ONCE)
- 11.2. Global Ocean Decade Programme for Blue Carbon (GO-BC)
- 18.2. Ocean to Climate Seamless Forecasting System (OSF)
- 1.6. The Future of Fisheries & Marine Ecosystems (FishMIP)
- UN5. The Ocean Best Practices Programme
- UN7. Ocean Literacy with All (OLWA)

\* 18. Have you contacted the programme(s) during the development of your proposal?

- Yes
- No



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### Decentralised Coordination Structures

\* 19. Is your Contribution in the form of a Decade Coordination Office or Decade Collaborative Centre?

- Yes  
 No

\* 20. Have you contacted any relevant decentralized coordination structure(s) (Decade Coordination Office or Decade Collaborative Centre) in the development of your proposal?

Full list can be found [here](#).

- No  
 Yes. Please inform which one and briefly summarise the results of the discussion.

\* 21. Have you contacted any relevant National Decade Committee(s) in the development of your proposal?

Full list can be found [here](#).

- No  
 Yes. Please inform which one and briefly summarise the results of the discussion.



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## Decade Action Description

### \* 22. Summary of Decade Action

This summary will be used publicly on the Ocean Decade Network should your contribution be endorsed. (max. 1000 characters)

### \* 23. When will your proposed Contribution start and end?

Please use the first of the month in which your Contribution will start if you do not have a specific start date.

Start Date

Date

 

End Date

Date

 

### \* 24. Please provide details on how your proposal aligns with the following Ocean Decade endorsement criteria.

Please keep in mind that this section is essential to the evaluation of your application, and therefore please be as objective and explanatory as possible. In case a criterion does not align with your proposal, please provide 2 to 3 sentences on why not (max. 5000 characters per criteria)

Contributes to achieving one or more of the following Decade objectives:  
Objective 1: Identify critical ocean knowledge; Objective 2: Build capacity and generate knowledge; Objective 3: Increase the use of ocean knowledge.

Accelerates the generation or use of knowledge and understanding of the ocean, with a specific focus on knowledge that will contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and complementary policy frameworks and initiatives.



Is co-designed and/or co-delivered by knowledge generators and users, and thus facilitating the uptake of science and ocean knowledge for policy, decision-making, management and/or innovation.

Ensures that all data and resulting knowledge are provided in an open access, shared, discoverable manner

Strengthens existing or creates new partnerships across nations and/or between diverse ocean actors, including users of ocean science.

Contributes toward capacity development, including, but not limited to, beneficiaries in SIDS, LDCs and LLDCs.

Overcomes barriers to diversity and equity, including gender, generational and geographic diversity.

Collaborates with and engages local and indigenous knowledge holders.

\* 25. Please select all countries in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All Countries       | <input type="checkbox"/> Gambia (Republic of The) | <input type="checkbox"/> Palau             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Afghanistan         | <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Palestine         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Albania             | <input type="checkbox"/> Germany                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Panama            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Algeria             | <input type="checkbox"/> Ghana                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Papua New Guinea  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Andorra             | <input type="checkbox"/> Greece                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Paraguay          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Angola              | <input type="checkbox"/> Grenada                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Peru              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anguilla            | <input type="checkbox"/> Guatemala                | <input type="checkbox"/> Philippines       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antigua and Barbuda | <input type="checkbox"/> Guinea                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Poland            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Argentina           | <input type="checkbox"/> Guinea-Bissau            | <input type="checkbox"/> Portugal          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Armenia             | <input type="checkbox"/> Guyana                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Qatar             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Australia           | <input type="checkbox"/> Haiti                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Republic of Korea |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Austria                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Honduras                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Republic of Moldova              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Azerbaijan                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hungary                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Romania                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bahamas                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Russian Federation               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bahrain                          | <input type="checkbox"/> India                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rwanda                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladesh                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Indonesia                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Kitts and Nevis            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barbados                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Iran (Islamic Republic of)       | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Lucia                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belarus                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Iraq                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Vincent and the Grenadines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belgium                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Ireland                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Samoa                            |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Benin                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Italy                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sao Tome and Principe            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bhutan                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Jamaica                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Saudi Arabia                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | <input type="checkbox"/> Japan                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Senegal                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bosnia and Herzegovina           | <input type="checkbox"/> Jordan                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Serbia                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Botswana                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Kazakhstan                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Seychelles                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brazil                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Kenya                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sierra Leone                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> British Virgin Islands           | <input type="checkbox"/> Kiribati                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Singapore                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brunei Darussalam                | <input type="checkbox"/> Kuwait                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sint Maarten                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bulgaria                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Kyrgyzstan                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Slovakia                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burkina Faso                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Lao People's Democratic Republic | <input type="checkbox"/> Slovenia                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burundi                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Latvia                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Solomon Islands                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cabo Verde                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Somalia                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cambodia                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Lesotho                          | <input type="checkbox"/> South Africa                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cameroon                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Liberia                          | <input type="checkbox"/> South Sudan                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canada                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Libya                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Spain                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central African Republic (CAR)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sri Lanka                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chad                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lithuania                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Sudan                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chile                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Luxembourg                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Suriname                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> China                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Madagascar                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sweden                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colombia                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Malawi                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland                      |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Congo                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Maldives                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tajikistan                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Islands                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mali                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Thailand                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costa Rica                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Malta                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Timor-Leste                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cote d'Ivoire                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Marshall Islands                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Togo                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Croatia                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mauritania                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Tonga                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cuba                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Mauritius                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Trinidad and Tobago              |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cyprus                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Mexico                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Tunisia   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Czechia                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Micronesia (Federated States of) | <input type="checkbox"/> Türkiye   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic People's Republic of Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> Monaco                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Turkmenistan  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Republic of the Congo      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mongolia                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuvalu  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Denmark                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Montenegro                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Uganda  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Djibouti                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Morocco                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Ukraine   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dominica                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Mozambique                       | <input type="checkbox"/> United Arab Emirates (UAE)                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dominican Republic                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Myanmar                          | <input type="checkbox"/> United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ecuador                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Namibia                          | <input type="checkbox"/> United Republic of Tanzania                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Egypt                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nauru                            | <input type="checkbox"/> United States of America (USA)                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> El Salvador                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Nepal                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Uruguay   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equatorial Guinea                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Netherlands (Kingdom of the)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Uzbekistan  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eritrea                               | <input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Vanuatu   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estonia                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Nicaragua                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eswatini                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Niger                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Viet Nam  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethiopia                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Nigeria                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Yemen   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiji                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> North Macedonia                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Zambia  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finland                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Norway                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Zimbabwe  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> France                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Oman                             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gabon                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistan                         |  |

\* 26. Please select all ocean basins in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

- North Atlantic Ocean
- South Atlantic Ocean
- North Pacific Ocean
- South Pacific Ocean
- Indian Ocean
- Arctic Ocean
- Southern Ocean
- Mediterranean Sea
- Other (including regional seas)

\* 27. Please select which of the Decade Outcomes your Decade Action contributes to (max. 3)

- Outcome 1: A clean ocean where sources of pollution are identified and reduced or removed.
- Outcome 2: A healthy and resilient ocean where marine ecosystems are understood, protected, restored and managed.
- Outcome 3: A productive ocean supporting sustainable food supply and a sustainable ocean economy.
- Outcome 4: A predicted ocean where society understands and can respond to changing ocean conditions.
- Outcome 5: A safe ocean where life and livelihoods are protected from ocean-related hazards.
- Outcome 6: An accessible ocean with open and equitable access to data, information and technology and innovation.
- Outcome 7: An inspiring and engaging ocean where society understands and values the ocean in relation to human wellbeing and sustainable development.

\* 28. Please select which of the Decade Challenges your Decade Action contributes to (max. 3)

- Challenge 1: Understand and map land and sea-based sources of pollutants and contaminants and their potential impacts on human health and ocean ecosystems, and develop solutions to remove or mitigate them.
- Challenge 2: Understand the effects of multiple stressors on ocean ecosystems, and develop solutions to monitor, protect, manage and restore ecosystems and their biodiversity under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- Challenge 3: Generate knowledge, support innovation, and develop solutions to optimise the role of the ocean in sustainably feeding the world's population under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- Challenge 4: Generate knowledge, support innovation, and develop solutions for equitable and sustainable development of the ocean economy under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- Challenge 5: Enhance understanding of the ocean-climate nexus and generate knowledge and solutions to mitigate, adapt and build resilience to the effects of climate change across all geographies and at all scales, and to improve services including predictions for the ocean, climate and weather.
- Challenge 6: Enhance multi-hazard early warning services for all geophysical, ecological, biological, weather, climate and anthropogenic related ocean and coastal hazards, and mainstream community preparedness and resilience.
- Challenge 7: Ensure a sustainable ocean observing system across all ocean basins that delivers accessible, timely, and actionable data and information to all users.
- Challenge 8: Through multi-stakeholder collaboration, develop a comprehensive digital representation of the ocean, including a dynamic ocean map, which provides free and open access for exploring, discovering, and visualizing past, current, and future ocean conditions in a manner relevant to diverse stakeholders.
- Challenge 9: Ensure comprehensive capacity development and equitable access to data, information, knowledge and technology across all aspects of ocean science and for all stakeholders.
- Challenge 10: Ensure that the multiple values and services of the ocean for human wellbeing, culture, and sustainable development are widely understood, and identify and overcome barriers to behaviour change required for a step change in humanity's relationship with the ocean.

\* 29. In addition to SDG 14 (Life below water), which we assume is relevant to all Decade Actions, please indicate which of the other Sustainable Development Goals your Decade Action contributes to

- GOAL 1: No Poverty.
- GOAL 2: Zero Hunger
- GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being
- GOAL 4: Quality Education
- GOAL 5: Gender Equality
- GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation
- GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality
- GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
- GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production
- GOAL 13: Climate Action
- GOAL 15: Life on Land
- GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions
- GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal

\* 30. Is your contribution:

- Financial
- In-kind
- Financial and In-kind



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\* 31. Total Budget estimate for the Decade Contribution to the nearest whole number with no punctuation.

\* 32. Please indicate the currency of the above budget.

\* 33. Please confirm that you have full budgetary resources for your contribution.

Please note that Decade Contributions need to have all budgetary resources secured. If your initiative is not fully funded, please consider [other categories](#) of Decade Actions.

I confirm that I have the full budgetary resources for my contribution.

\* 34. Please describe any in-kind resources you will be contributing to the Decade

If this is not applicable, please indicate with 'N/A'

\* 35. How do you benefit from having your Contribution endorsed by the Ocean Decade?

(max. 2000 characters)

\* 36. What are key outcomes of your Contribution?

(max. 2000 characters)

\* 37. What are key activities that you will carry out in the first 3 years of your Decade Contribution?

(max. 5000 characters)

\* 38. Please describe the management structure which will be used to coordinate your Decade Action

(max. 2000 characters)



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### Supplementary Information

39. Please provide any supplementary information you would like reviewers to take into account as they review your Decade Contribution. This may include details of additional partners.

There is a character limit of 5000.